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ROME FOR FODAG

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR, DM

SUBJECT: DAHOMEY VIRTUALLY UNAFFECTED BY DROUGHT

1. DIRECTOR CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES DAHOMEY JUST RETURNED FROM EXTENSIVE TOUR OF NORTHERN HALF OF COUNTRY. HE REPORTS FEW SMALL FOOD SHORT POCKETS IN MALANVILLE AREA SOUTH OF NIGER. NONE OF LATTER ARE MORE THAN FIFTY MILES FROM WELL-STOCKED MARKETS. GENERALLY, HARVEST AT END OF YEAR WAS GOOD THROUGHOUT NORTH. YAMS, WHICH WERE PLANTED IN JANUARY, HAVE NOW TAKEN ROOT AND GROWING WELL. THEY SHOULD BE READY FOR HARVEST IN JULY-AUGST. CORN NOW BEING PLANTED FOLLOWING RECENT RAINS. APPEARS DAHOMEANS GENERALLY UNTOCHED THUS FAR BY SAHELIAN DISASTER.

2. CRS DIRECTOR'S JUDGEMENT BASED ON PERSONAL OBSERVATIONS, CONVERSATIONS WITH MISSIONARIES, PCV'S AND OTHER RELIABLE UNCLASSIFIED

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SOURCES RESIDENT IN VARIOUS AREAS THROUGHOUT NORTH. UNDP

RESREP HAS HAD SIMILAR HAPPY REPORTS FROM HIS AGRICULTURAL
EXPERTS IN AREA.
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